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In re Application of: Chang et al.  
 Serial No: 09/551,380  
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 Confirmation No: 2514  
 Title: Modified Fluorescent Proteins For  
 Detecting Protease Activity



Group Art Unit: 1652  
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Independent Claims 1 minus 3 = 0		x \$200 =	\$ .00
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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, please find attached hereto:

**Amendments to the Claims** beginning on page 2 of this paper, and  
**Remarks**, beginning on page 3 of this paper.